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CALIFORNIA LEGISLATURE—2009—10 REGULAR SESSION

Assembly Concurrent Resolution

No. 127

Introduced by Assembly Member Adams

February 16, 2010

Assembly Concurrent Resolution No. 127—Relative to the CHP Officer Larry L. Wetterling and San Bernardino County Sheriff's Lieutenant Alfred E. Stewart Memorial Highway.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

ACR 127, as amended, Adams. CHP Officer Larry L. Wetterling and San Bernardino County Sheriff's Lieutenant Alfred E. Stewart Memorial Highway.

This measure would designate the segment of State Highway Route 15 between its junction with State Highway Route ~~215~~ 138 and Oak Hill Road, in the ~~Counties of Riverside and~~ *County of* San Bernardino, as the CHP Officer Larry L. Wetterling and San Bernardino County Sheriff's Lieutenant Alfred E. Stewart Memorial Highway. The measure would request that the Department of Transportation determine the cost of appropriate signs showing this special designation and, upon receiving donations from nonstate sources covering that cost, *to* erect those signs.

Fiscal committee: yes.

- 1 WHEREAS, On March 9, 1973, California Highway Patrol
- 2 (CHP) Officer Larry L. Wetterling and San Bernardino County
- 3 Sheriff's Lieutenant Alfred E. Stewart were killed in the line of
- 4 duty; and

1 WHEREAS, On that date, CHP Officer Wetterling stopped to
2 assist a driver along the southbound side of State Highway Route
3 15. The driver, who was a recently paroled convict, killed Officer
4 Wetterling and stole his patrol car; and

5 WHEREAS, Having been notified that there was a paroled
6 convict out on a killing rampage, Lieutenant Stewart answered the
7 call and found the criminal but, unfortunately, Lieutenant Stewart
8 was also killed; and

9 WHEREAS, CHP Officer Larry L. Wetterling, born in
10 Monmouth, Illinois on March 9, 1942, had a childhood dream to
11 serve as a California Highway Patrol Officer; and

12 WHEREAS, Officer Wetterling graduated from San Bernardino
13 High School in 1960 and attended San Bernardino Valley College;
14 and

15 WHEREAS, Officer Wetterling worked as an assistant manager
16 for CarpetMasters prior to joining the California Highway Patrol
17 on November 6, 1967, and graduated from the California Highway
18 Patrol Academy in Sacramento on March 1, 1968; and

19 WHEREAS, Officer Wetterling's first assignment was in the
20 Riverside area until he transferred to the San Bernardino area on
21 March 12, 1970; and

22 WHEREAS, Officer Wetterling was survived by his wife
23 Catherine, daughter Shelly, and now deceased daughter Terri, his
24 mother Carmen, his now deceased father Carl, his sisters Shere
25 and Carol Ann, and many friends and coworkers; and

26 WHEREAS, Sheriff's Lieutenant Alfred E. Stewart was born
27 in Jersey City, New Jersey, on May 24, 1933. He was the oldest
28 of eight children; and

29 WHEREAS, Lieutenant Stewart attended Henry Snyder High
30 School. He left school at 16 years of age and joined the United
31 States Marine Corps and served in the Korean War; and

32 WHEREAS, Lieutenant Stewart met his wife, Marie Bordina,
33 and they married in June 1952; and

34 WHEREAS, Lieutenant Stewart was wounded in both legs in
35 1950 and he received an honorable discharge from the Marine
36 Corps on January 4, 1954; and

37 WHEREAS, Lieutenant Stewart worked for Columbia Southern
38 Chemical Corporation. While there, he held various union offices,
39 including that of Union Local President; and

1 WHEREAS, Lieutenant Stewart attended the Industrial Labor
2 School for Union Officials at Saint Peter’s Prep, in Jersey City;
3 and

4 WHEREAS, Lieutenant Stewart received an honorable discharge
5 from the Marine Reserve as Staff Sergeant in 1965 after 14 years
6 of service; and

7 WHEREAS, Lieutenant Stewart joined the North Bergen Police
8 Force in North Bergen, New Jersey, in 1960. He became a detective
9 and was a member of the Vice Squad. In the Police Detective
10 Bureau, he worked in criminal investigation and arrests; and

11 WHEREAS, Lieutenant Stewart and his family moved to
12 California in 1964, and he was hired by the San Bernardino County
13 Sheriff’s Department; and

14 WHEREAS, Lieutenant Stewart was one of the founding
15 members of the California ~~Narcotics~~ *Narcotic* Officer’s Association
16 and served as the eighth president in 1972; and

17 WHEREAS, Lieutenant Stewart was survived by his wife, Marie,
18 two sons, Michael and Matthew, and his daughter, Marie. His son,
19 Michael, passed away in 2007; and

20 WHEREAS, In 1973, the California ~~Narcotics~~ *Narcotic* Officer’s
21 Association created the Alfred E. Stewart Memorial Award to
22 memorialize Lieutenant Stewart by honoring individual
23 achievement of working narcotic officers; and

24 WHEREAS, After his death, Lieutenant Stewart’s mother stated
25 that he always wanted to be a Marine and a lawman; and

26 WHEREAS, It is important to recognize the sacrifice made by
27 these peace officers for the people of California; now, therefore,
28 be it

29 *Resolved by the Assembly of the State of California, the Senate*
30 *thereof concurring*, That the Legislature hereby designates the
31 portion of State Highway Route 15 between its junction with State
32 Highway Route ~~215~~ *138* and Oak Hill Road, in the ~~Counties of~~
33 ~~Riverside and~~ *County of* San Bernardino, as the CHP Officer Larry
34 L. Wetterling and San Bernardino County Sheriff’s Lieutenant
35 Alfred E. Stewart Memorial Highway; and be it further

36 *Resolved*, That the Department of Transportation is hereby
37 requested to determine the cost of appropriate signs consistent
38 with the signing requirements for the state highway system showing
39 this special designation and, upon receiving donations from

- 1 nonstate sources sufficient to cover that cost, to erect those signs;
- 2 and be it further
- 3 *Resolved*, That the Chief Clerk of the Assembly transmit copies
- 4 of this resolution to the Department of Transportation and to the
- 5 author for appropriate distribution.

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